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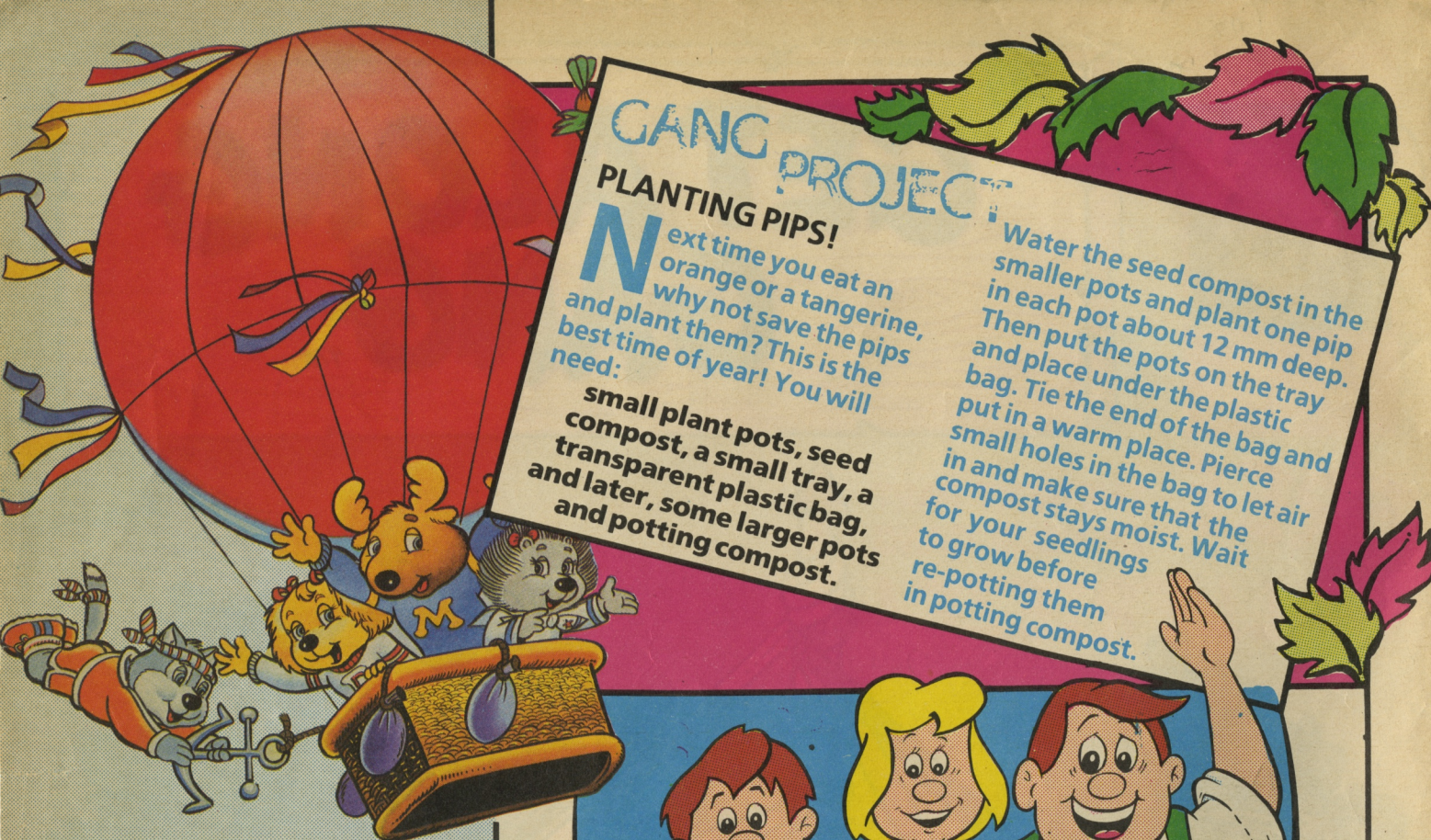
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GET ALONG GANG™

FREE THE NEXT PART
OF YOUR GANG
WALL FRIEZE!



Wildlife Competition
inside!



GANG PROJECT
PLANTING PIPS!
 Next time you eat an orange or a tangerine, why not save the pips and plant them? This is the best time of year! You will need:
 small plant pots, seed compost, a small tray, a transparent plastic bag, and later, some larger pots and potting compost.

Water the seed compost in the smaller pots and plant one pip in each pot about 12 mm deep. Then put the pots on the tray and place under the plastic bag. Tie the end of the bag and put in a warm place. Pierce small holes in the bag to let air in and make sure that the compost stays moist. Wait for your seedlings to grow before re-potting them in potting compost.

HI GANG!

Have you ever danced around a maypole? It's great fun but you have to be careful – when Catchum tried it, he got his tail tangled up in all the ribbons! The first day of May has always been a good excuse for fun and games for centuries, and you can bet that the Get Along Gang will be making the most of it! UH-OH! Catchum's heading for the maypole again! 'Bye!

Montgomery

Lots of readers write to us asking for pen pals, so we decided to make a list of everyone who wants a pen pal! The Pen Pal Pack is full of readers' names, their ages, addresses and interests. If you would like to be put on the list or receive the Get Along Gang Pen Pal Pack, then just write to us at:

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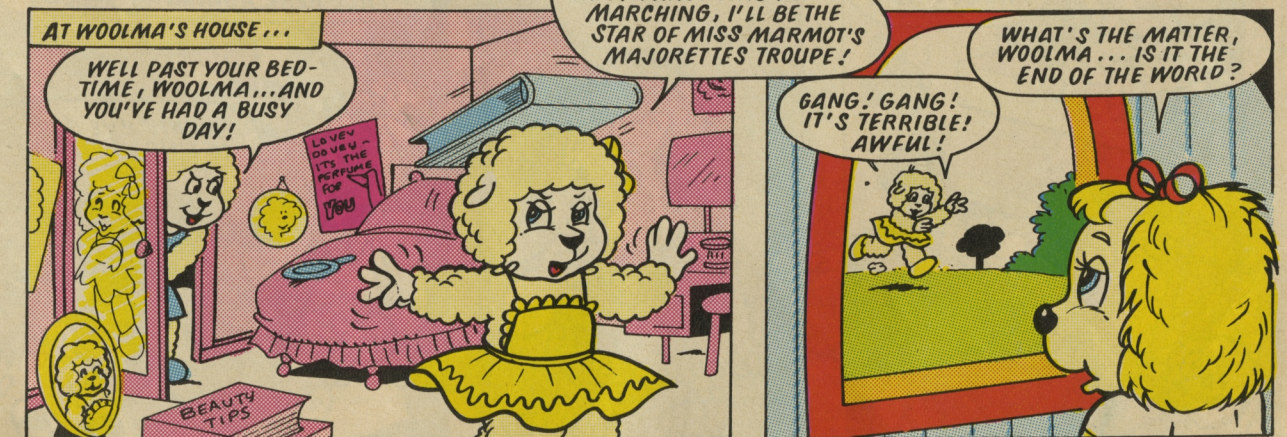
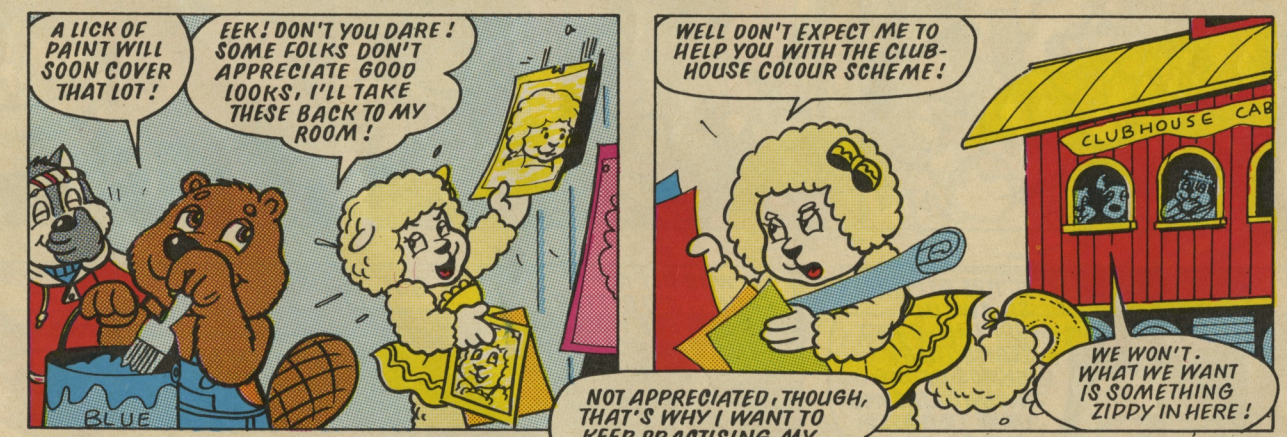
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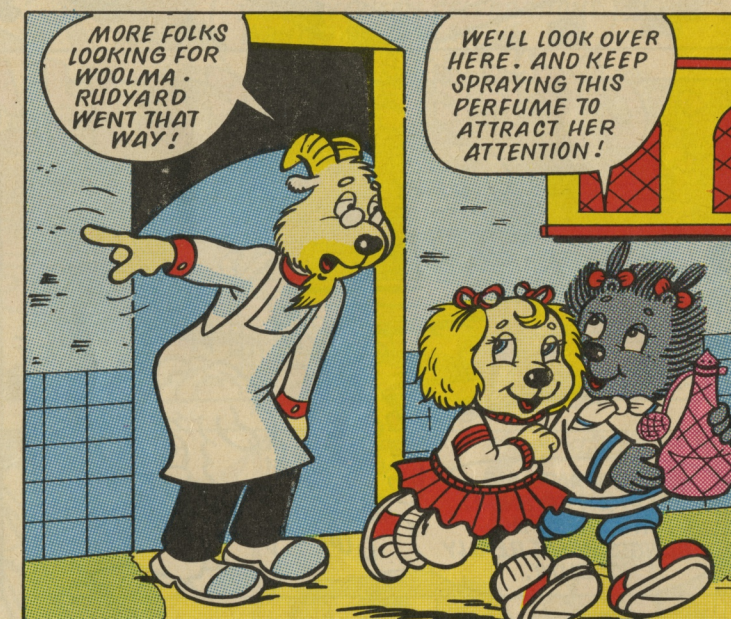
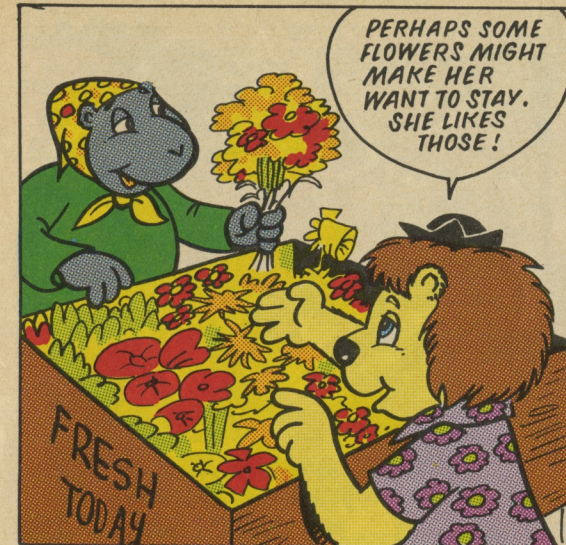
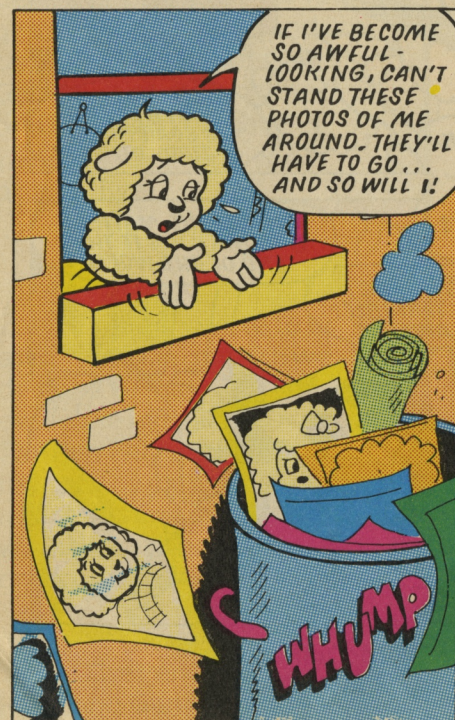
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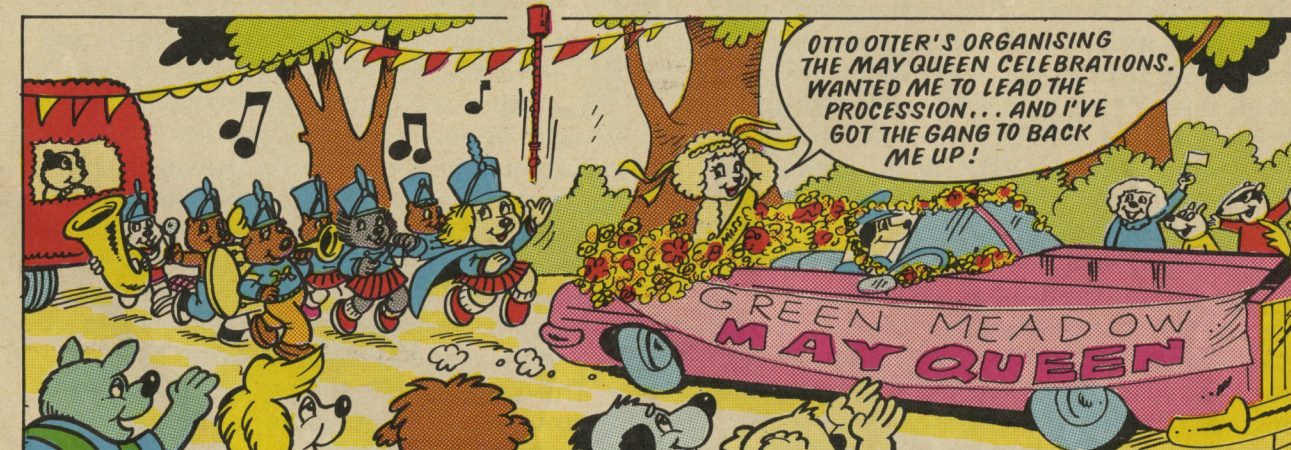
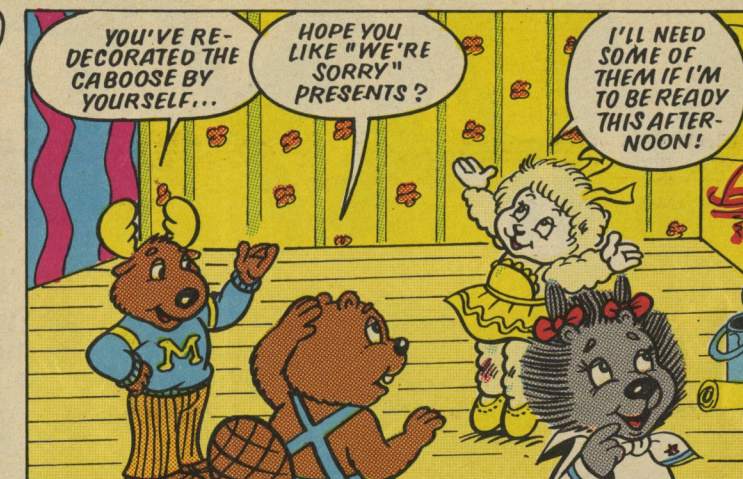
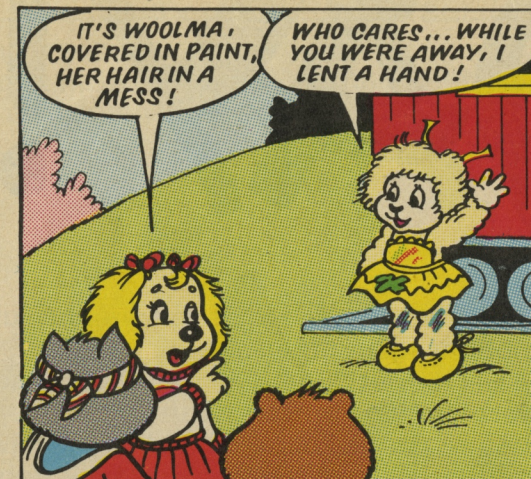
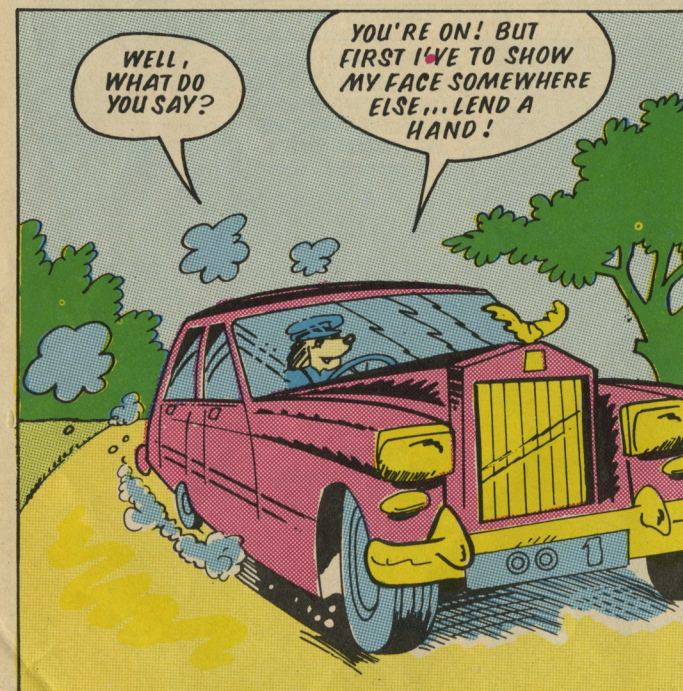
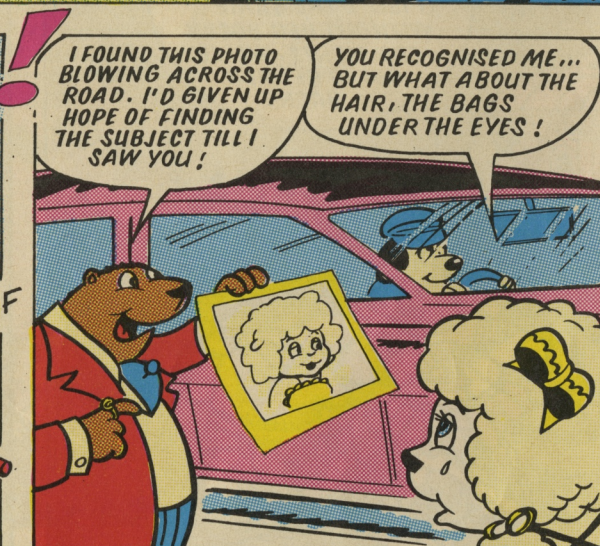
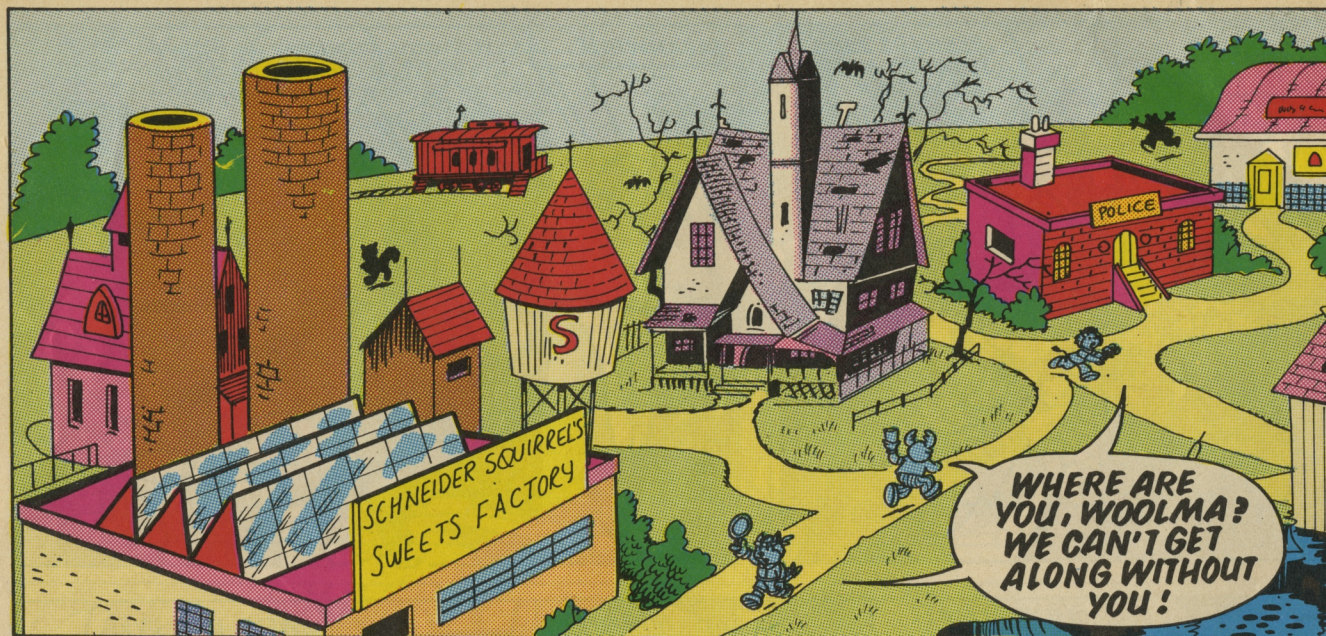
GET ALONG GANG

...IN FACE VALUE!



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MAY DAY!

"I need volunteers to dance around the maypole for the school's May Day display," Miss Marmot told her class as they stood at their desks.

"Boy, who would be dumb enough to volunteer for that?" Rocco sniggered.

"Yeah! Count us out!" Rudyard agreed.

"Sit down and decide amongst yourselves," said Miss Marmot. "But I need to know quickly."

"Well, it won't be us!" said Woolma, sitting down on her chair. Then, twice as fast, she leapt up again, yelling "YEEEEEOOOOWW!", closely followed by the rest of the Gang. Well, you would too if you had just sat on a sharp drawing pin!

"Eight volunteers! How marvellous!" smiled Miss Marmot, seeing the Gang standing.

"What? No, it's not what you think. . .!" Portia started to say, but Miss Marmot wouldn't listen. "You can practise dancing around the maypole after school," she told them.

Catchum and Leland sat at their desks, trying to muffle their giggles. "HAW! Those drawing pins did the trick!" Catchum chuckled. "We're gonna make the Gang look right chumps in front of all of Green Meadow!"

"O ooh! It was all Catchum's doing!" Bingo grumbled as the Gang stood beside the maypole. "He's the only one rotten enough to get us into this mess!"

"It's no good complaining," said Montgomery. "We're stuck with it now. We'll just have to get on and try our best."

Dotty handed each of her friends one of the ribbons that were tied to the maypole. "We do the dance by weaving in and out around the pole," she explained.

"Huh! I feel such a fool!" Zipper moaned, holding one of the ribbons over his head.

"You look like one!" laughed Rocco, and then remembered that he looked just as daft and quickly shut up again.

"In, out, in, out. . ." Dotty called, urging the Gang on as they began their dance.

"Ouch! Mind my feet!" shouted Rudyard when Montgomery accidentally trod on him.

WHUMP! Portia collided with Bingo who fell back into Dotty, knocking her off her feet.

"Look out!" Woolma cried as she tripped over Dotty and fell against the pole. The others were too busy trying to keep dancing to notice her and,

before long, Woolma found herself wrapped up by the ribbons against the pole!

"Hey! Get me out!" she yelled crossly, but the Gang were laughing too much to help.

"What a disaster!" Rocco smirked. "We'll have to practise harder if we're going to get this right."

Catchum and Leland watched the Gang practising their dancing. Leland was very impressed. "Coo! They're getting better. They're gonna look really good on May Day."

Catchum poked Leland in the stomach with his fat finger. "Birdbrain! We don't want 'em to look good! They're meant to muck it up so everyone laughs at 'em!" He thought for a moment, and then grinned. "Heh! I know just how to make things sticky for the twerps!" Cackling merrily he dragged Leland away by his nose.

The Gang were feeling really chuffed with themselves. "This maypole dancing lark's quite fun really," said Portia.

"All our hours of practising together has done wonders," grinned Bingo. "We'll amaze everyone tomorrow."

But not if Catchum and Leland had their way. . .

"Hurry up! Everyone's arriving!" Catchum gave Leland a swift boot up the backside. Leland, busy brushing the last of the glue onto the ribbons, glanced up crossly. "We'd have been finished a lot quicker if you had helped me."

"I'm the brains of this outfit," Catchum reminded him. "Since I do the thinking for both of us it's only fair that you do all the other stuff!"

"**CATCHUM!** What are you doing here?" Montgomery demanded as the Gang came running up.

"Oh, Ahh! Yes, well. . ." said Catchum, at a loss for words.

"I know what it is," Dotty smiled, slapping Catchum cheerfully on the back and shouting out loudly. "**CATCHUM AND LELAND WANT TO JOIN IN THE MAYPOLE DANCING!**"

"Super!" Miss Marmot said upon hearing this. "Since they're so keen they can have first go."

"Yipes! B-But I can't. . . my leg. . . an old war wound. . ." Catchum stammered.

"Hey, boss! You weren't in any wars," frowned a puzzled Leland.

"You'll look like you've been in a war if you

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don't belt up!" Catchum muttered crossly.

But it was no good. Everyone had gathered to watch, including the Headmistress and Officer Growler. "Gulp! If we pull out now they'll all know what we've been up to!" Catchum groaned.

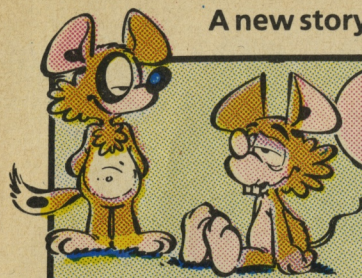
With a sinking feeling, he and Leland picked up the glue-covered ribbons and started to dance. Of course their hands became stuck to the ribbons and very soon they were in such a tangle they couldn't move!

"Ha! Ha! We saw you getting up to your old tricks!" Montgomery laughed. "That's why we've made our own maypole to dance around nearby."

Leaving Catchum and Leland to explain themselves to a very cross Miss Marmot, the Gang led everyone to where their maypole stood.

"I always knew Catchum was up the pole!" Rocco laughed.

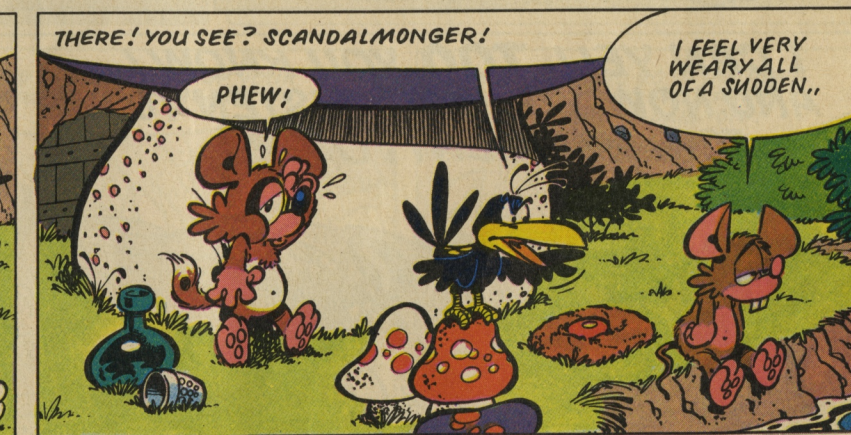
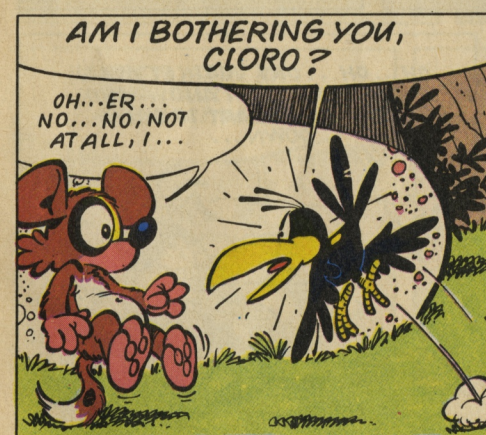
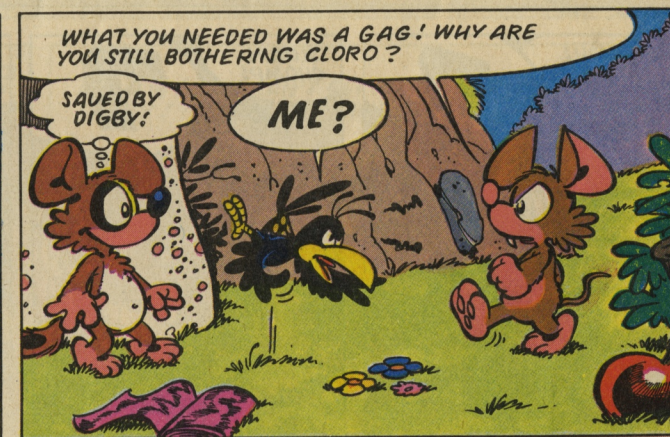
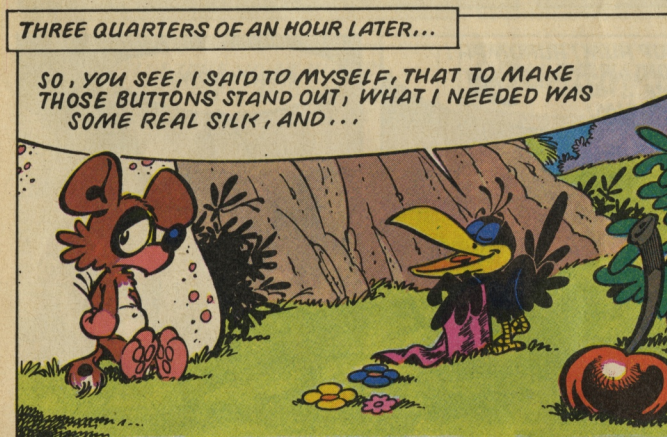
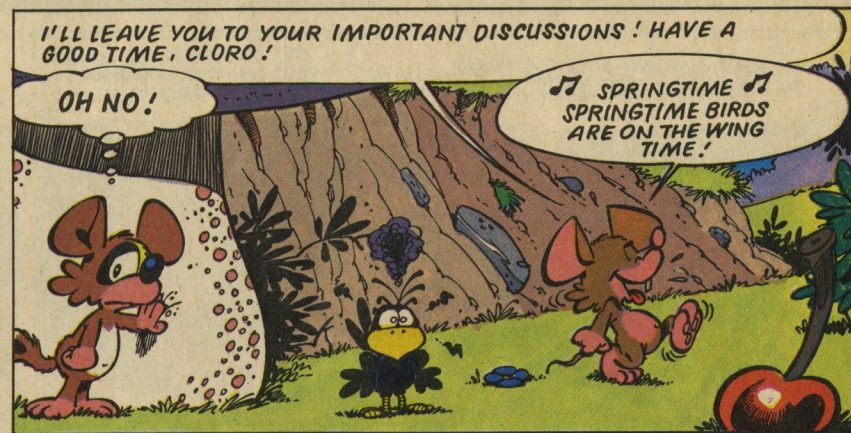
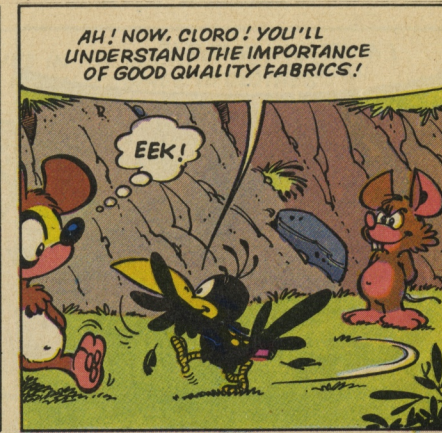
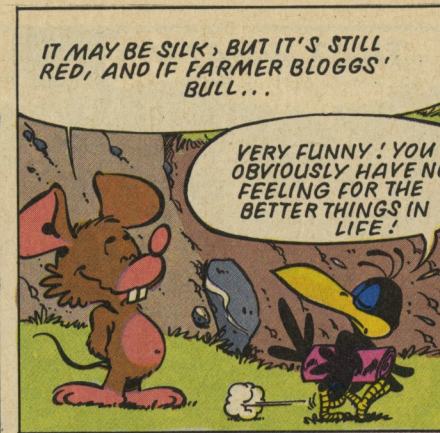
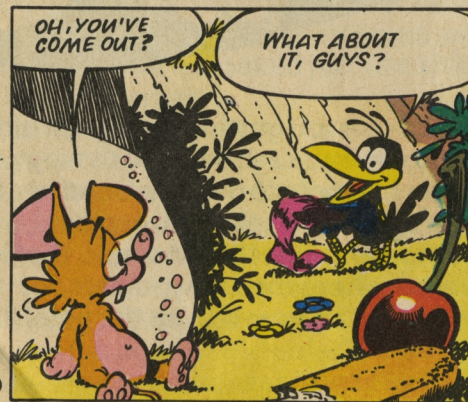
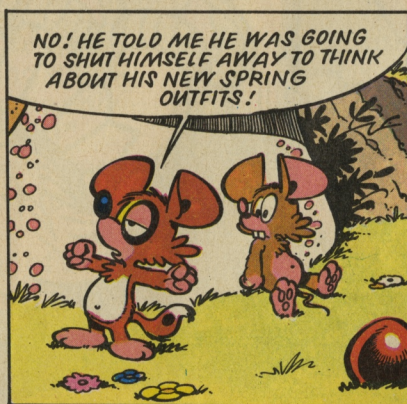
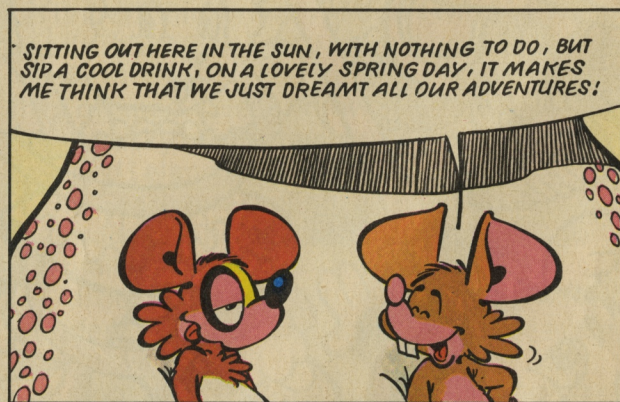
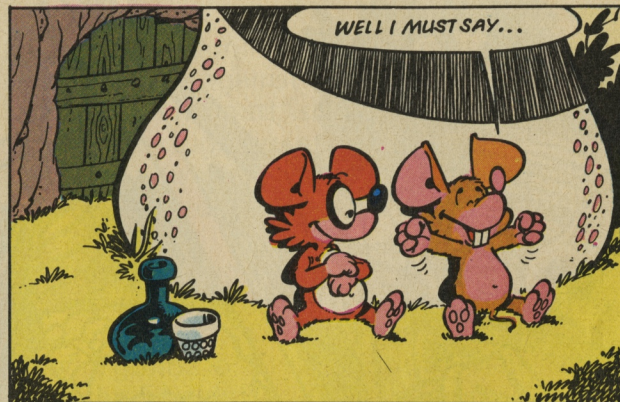
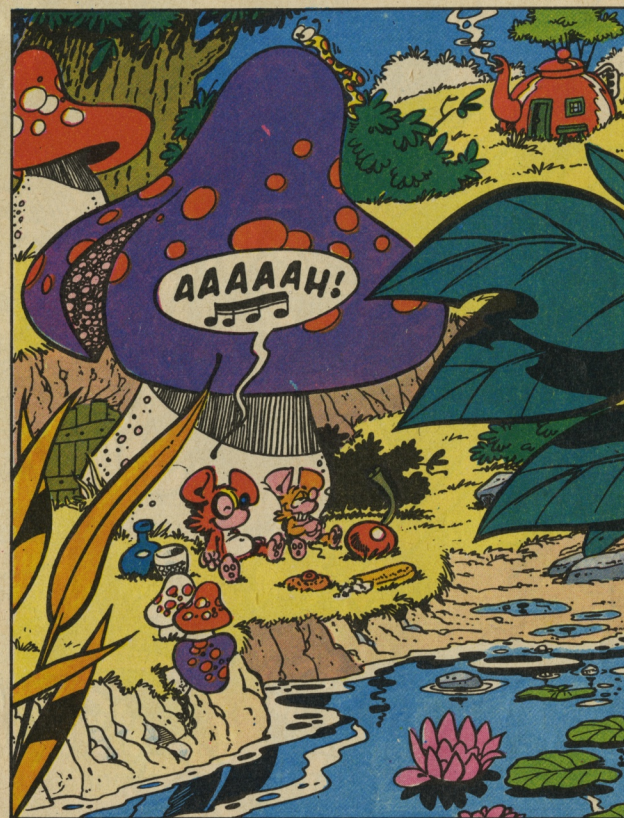
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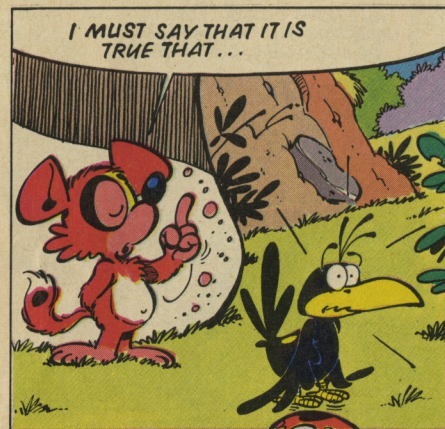


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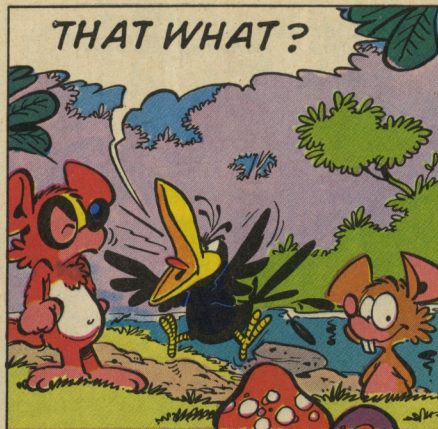
COLORO AND DIGBY

The hilarious adventures of two little field mice and their country friends!

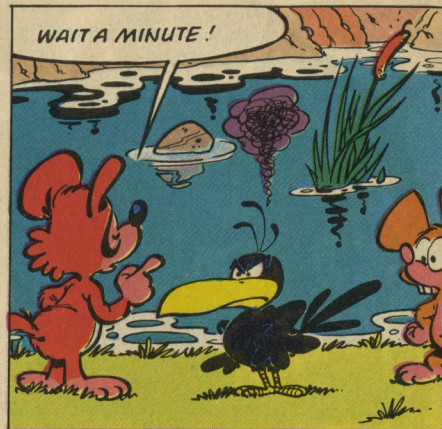




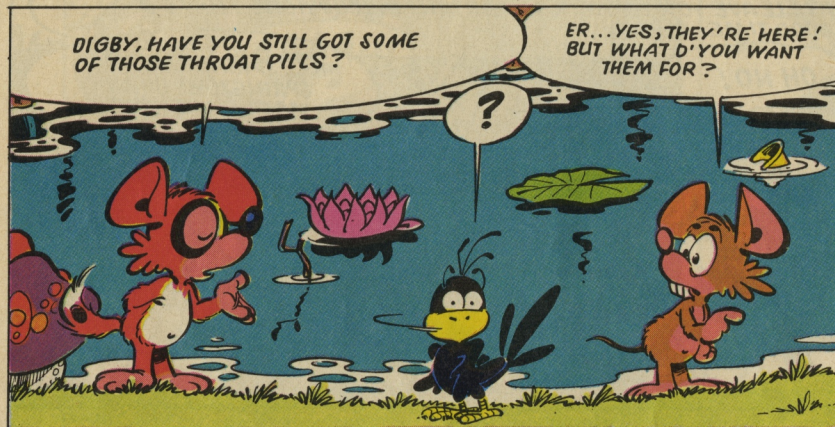
I MUST SAY THAT IT IS TRUE THAT...



THAT WHAT?



WAIT A MINUTE!



DIGBY, HAVE YOU STILL GOT SOME OF THOSE THROAT PILLS?

ER... YES, THEY'RE HERE! BUT WHAT D'YOU WANT THEM FOR?



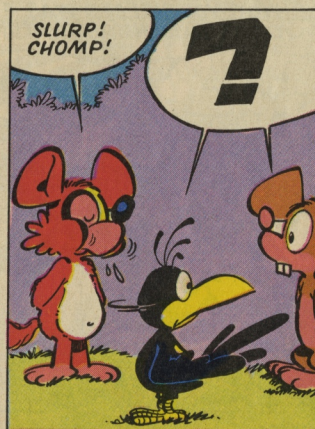
JUST GIVE ME ONE, WILL YOU?

HERE WE ARE!

SCRATCH! SCRATCH!



SCRUNCH!



SLURP! CHOMP!



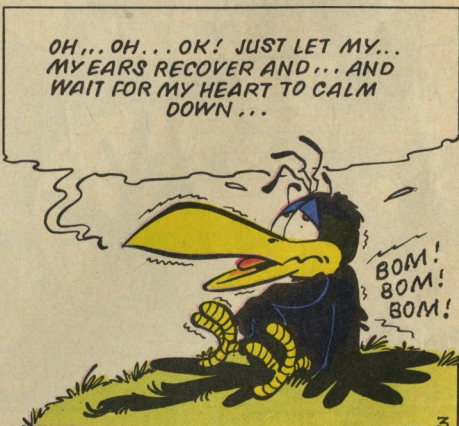
HUP HUM! HURUMPH! DOH... RAY... ME... HUP... HUM!



RIGHT! NOW!

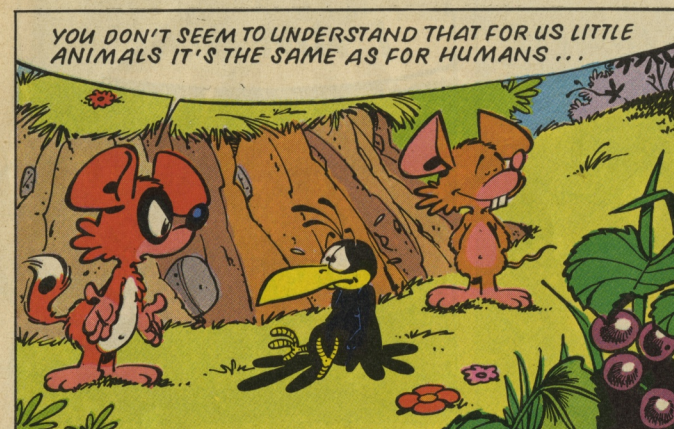


I CAN YELL TOO YOU KNOW! ... AND NOW YOU JUST LISTEN TO ME FOR A MOMENT, OK?



OH... OH... OK! JUST LET MY... MY EARS RECOVER AND... AND WAIT FOR MY HEART TO CALM DOWN...

BOM! BOM! BOM!



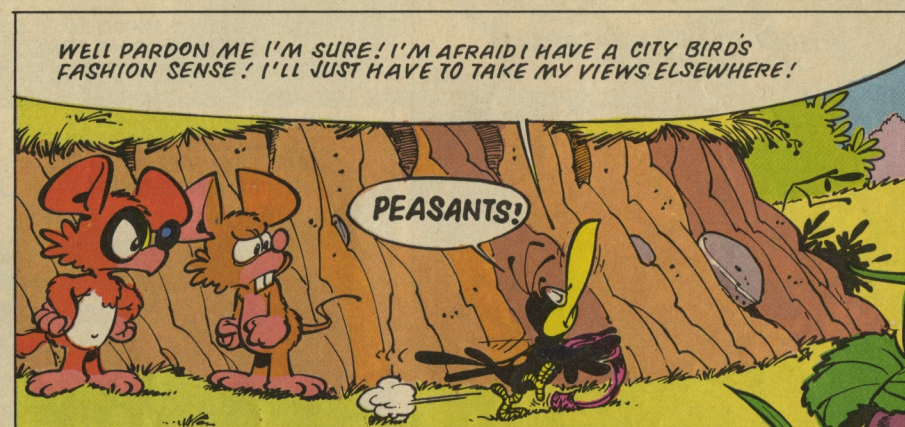
YOU DON'T SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THAT FOR US LITTLE ANIMALS IT'S THE SAME AS FOR HUMANS...



THE ONES WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTRY ARE OFTEN OLD-FASHIONED WHEN IT COMES TO CLOTHES!



WE'RE 'COUNTRY BUMPKINS'! THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT... WE DON'T CARE FOR EXPENSIVE SILK...

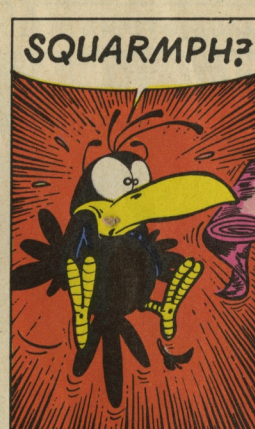


WELL PARDON ME I'M SURE! I'M AFRAID I HAVE A CITY BIRD'S FASHION SENSE! I'LL JUST HAVE TO TAKE MY VIEWS ELSEWHERE!

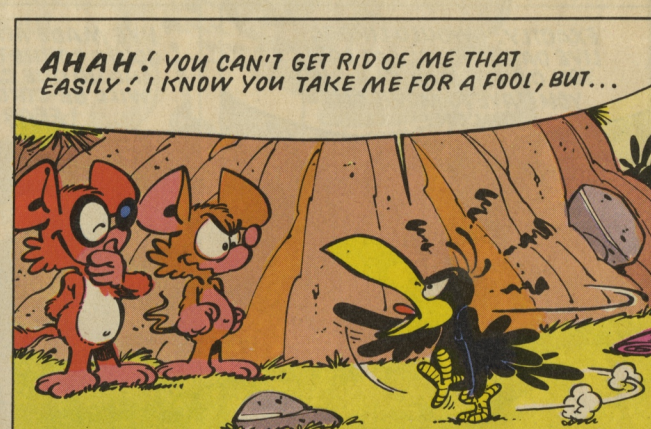
PEASANTS!



AH WELL! TAKE YOUR VIEWS ELSEWHERE THEN AND PERHAPS OUR EARS WILL GET A BIT OF REST!



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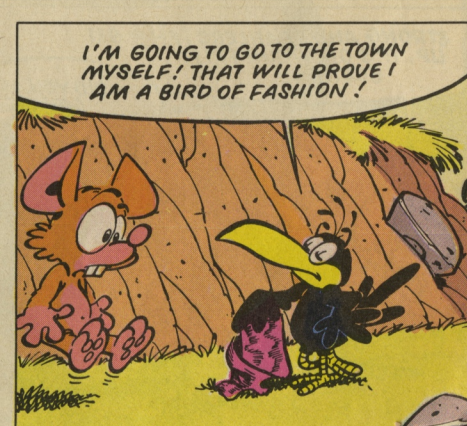
AHAH! YOU CAN'T GET RID OF ME THAT EASILY! I KNOW YOU TAKE ME FOR A FOOL, BUT...



I'D LIKE TO MAKE AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!



YOU'D BETTER PRICK UP YOUR EARS A THIS... READY?



I'M GOING TO GO TO THE TOWN MYSELF! THAT WILL PROVE I AM A BIRD OF FASHION!



Next Week: A dangerous journey!

Shout Along is a great game to play with your pals – but warn your parent's that it's a very noisy game to play!



THE GET ALONG GANG



It's fun, working and playing together!

Now you can join in that fun and adventure with your very own Get Along Gang characters. Six of your furry favourites are available from Tomy as cuddly, lovable friends. You can have Dotty Dog, Zipper Cat, Portia Porcupine, Montgomery "Good News" Moose, Bingo "Bet It All" Beaver and Woolma Lamb.



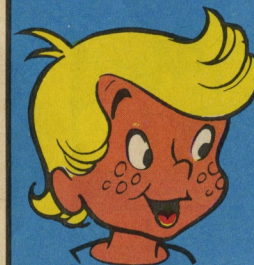
TOMY

All these cute chums come in two sizes, with their own removable colourful clothes. The larger Gang members also have roller skates that really work. So come along Get Along Gang fans – and get your favourite gang members only from Tomy – at all good toy shops.

The secret life of...

TOP DOG

Joey's lost Top Dog and Top dog's lost his memory, but suddenly...



Joey Jordan



Joey's mum



Joey's dad

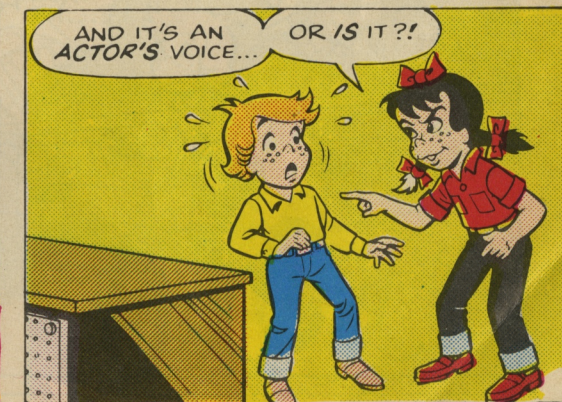
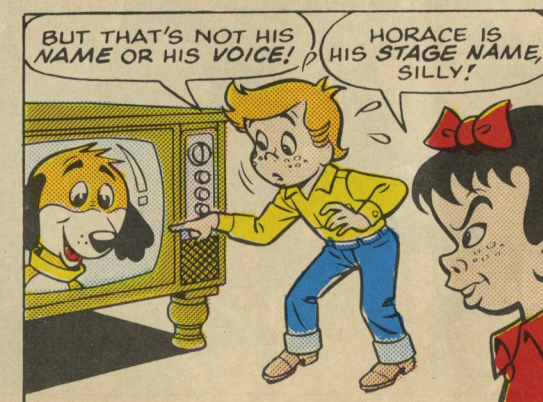
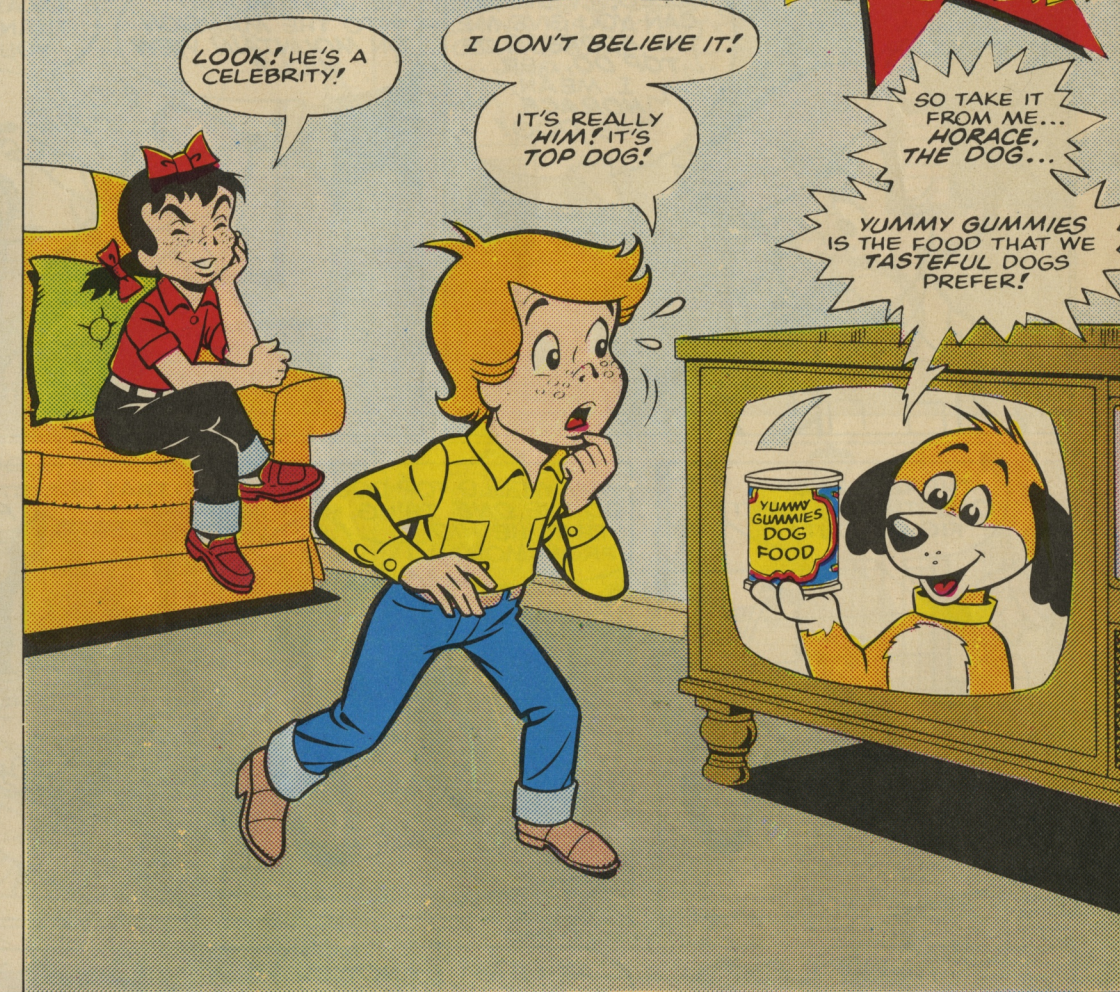


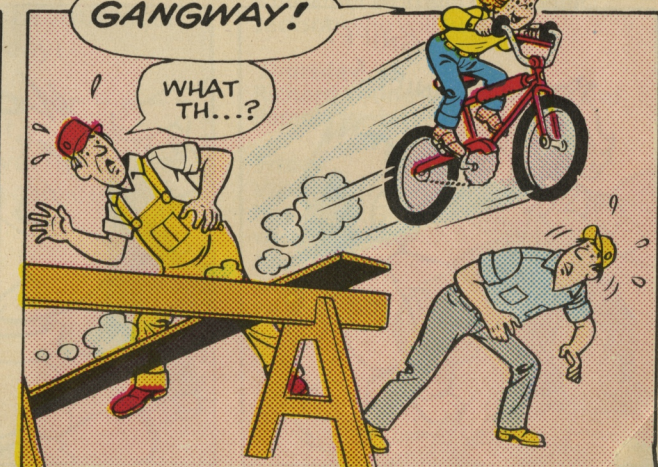
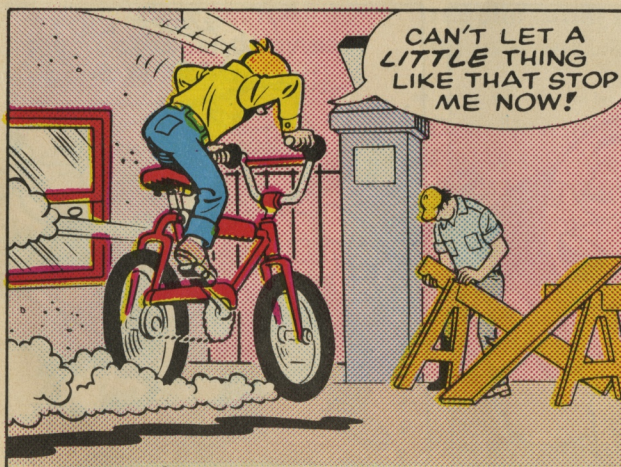
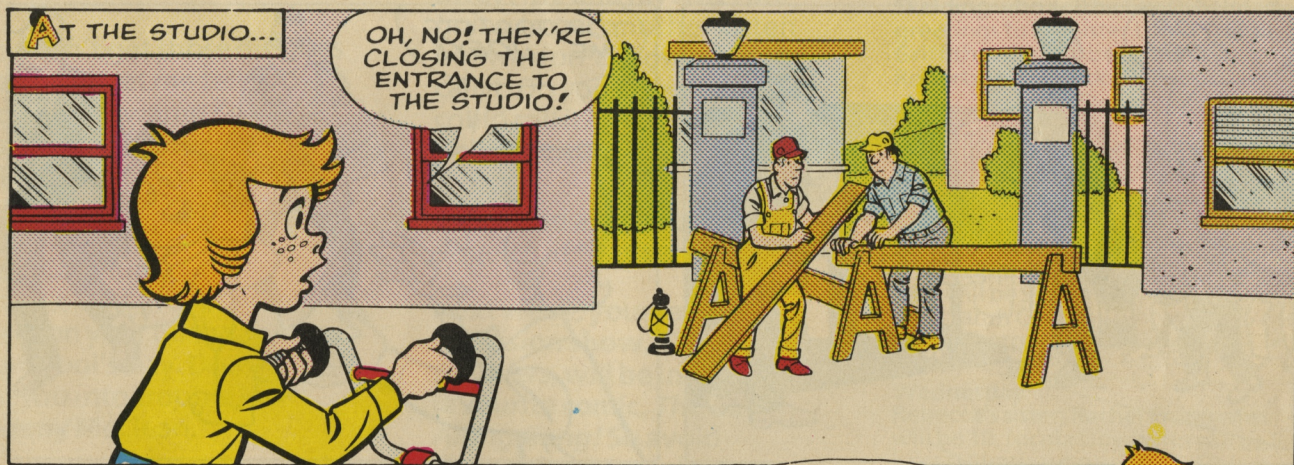
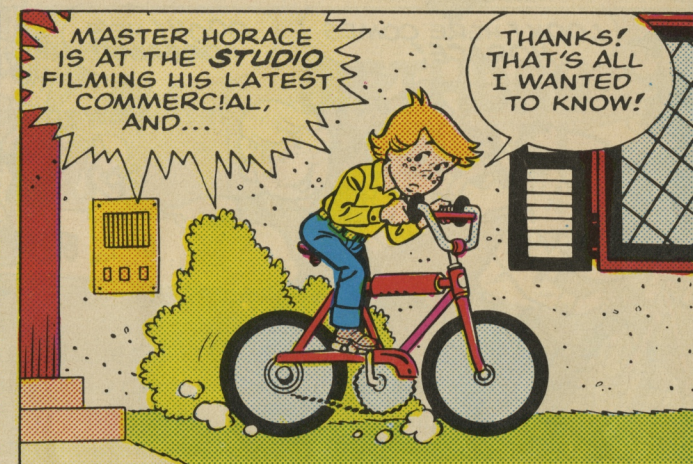
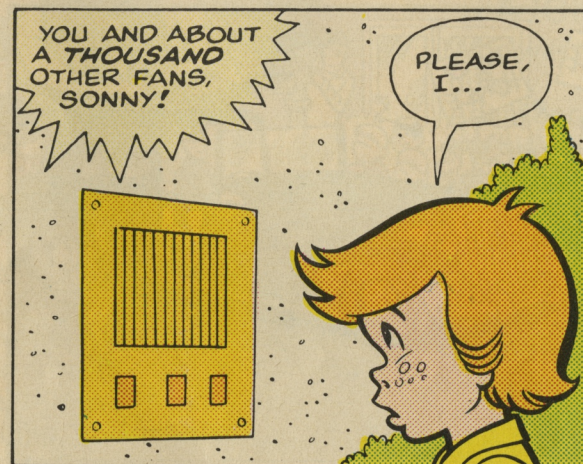
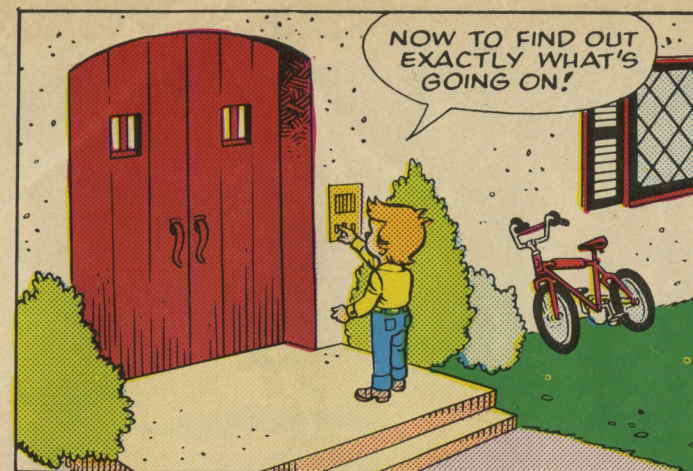
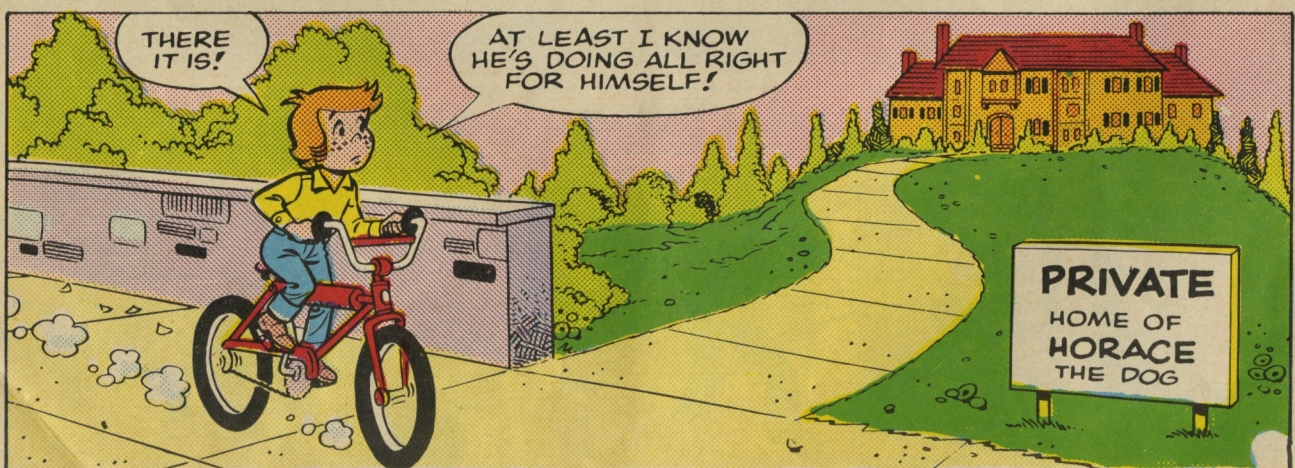
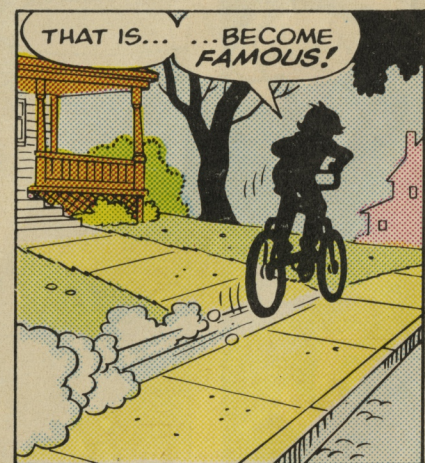
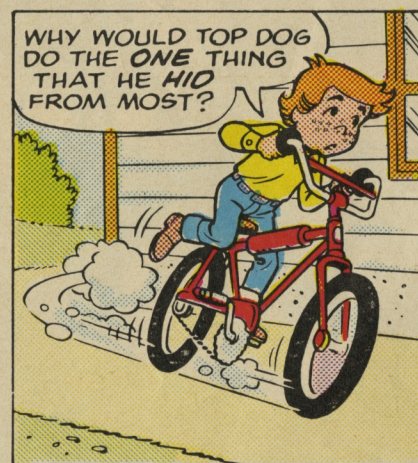
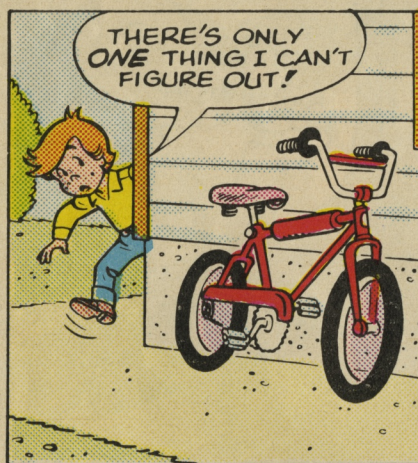
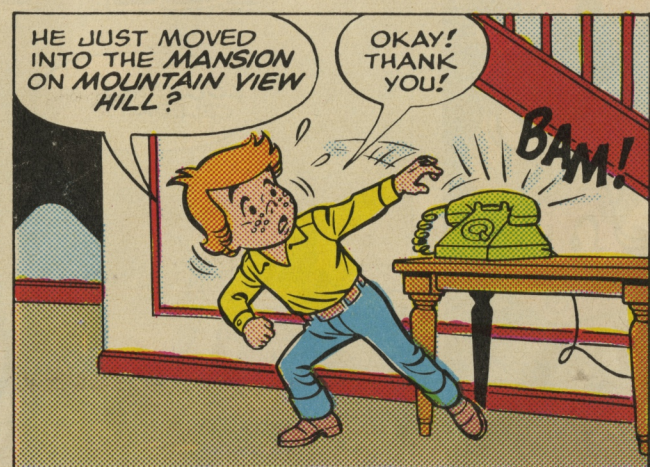
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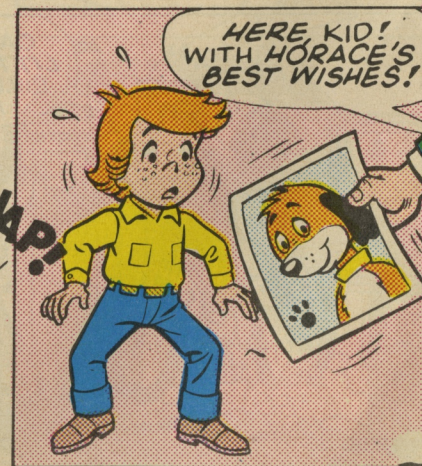
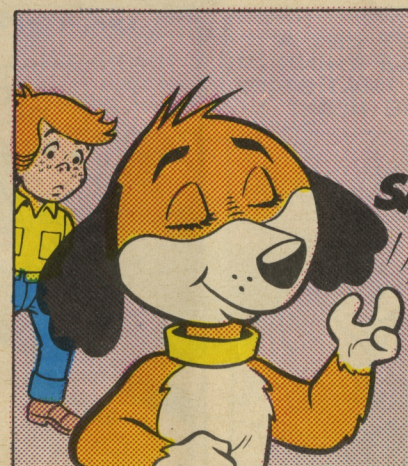
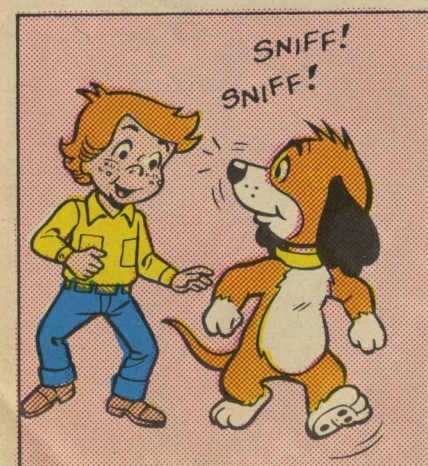
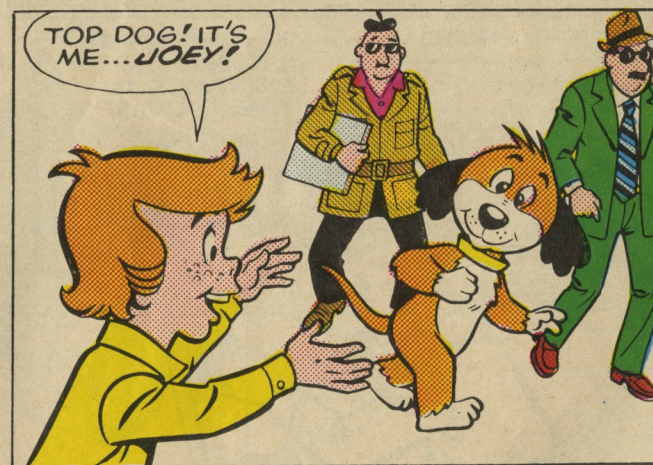
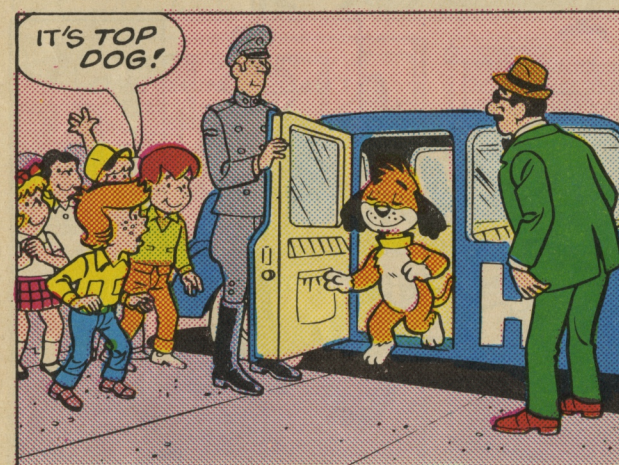
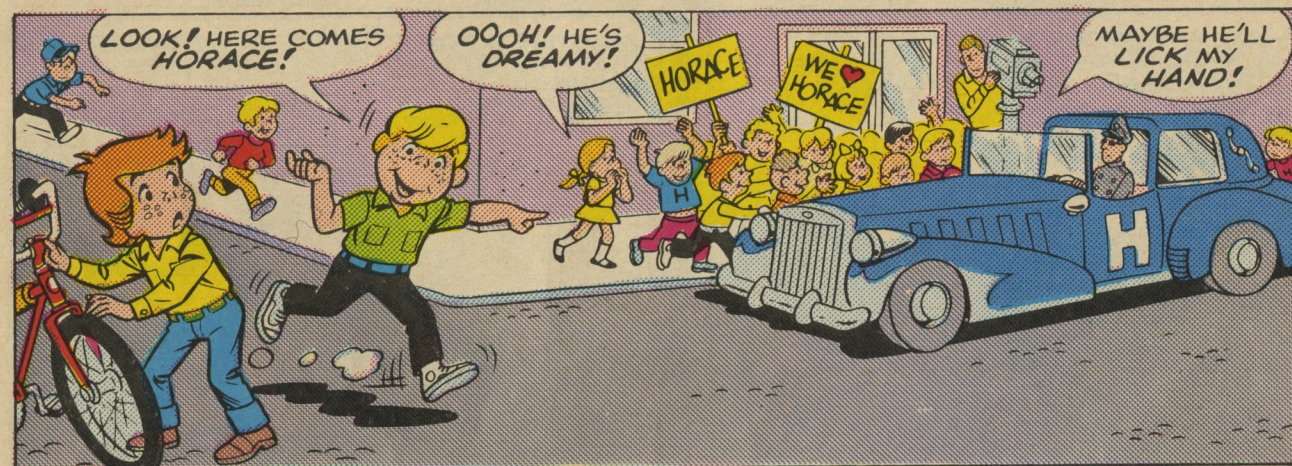
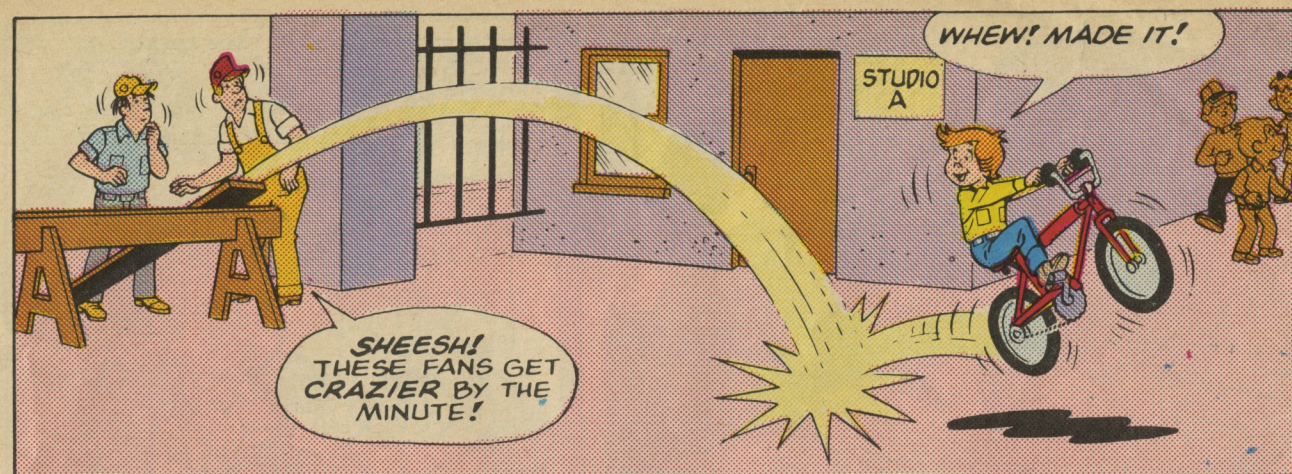


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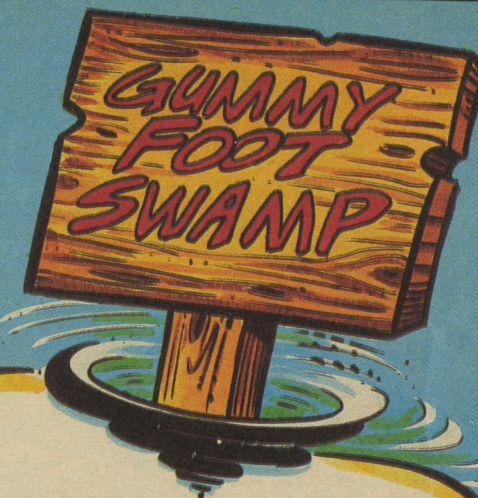
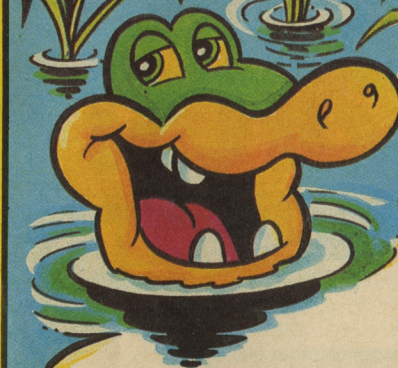
IN A STAR IS BORN







LETTERS TO



A JOKE!

Who was the fastest runner in history?
Adam because he was first in the human race!
Lynn Ayers.

BIRTHDAY PEOPLE!

Saturday
Donna Charlotte Hedger who will be 8.

Sunday
Richard Bloss who will be 7, Helen Spriggs who will be 9, Matthew Quinn who will be 6, Andrew Dadds who will be 5, Loius Bayman who will be 7, Stella Waller who will be 8, Lindsay Harrington who will be 6, Helen Weaving who will be 4, Victoria Skelding who will be 6 with belated greetings to her sister Louise, Heidi Griffiths who will be 8, Murray Robertson and Nicky Pollock.

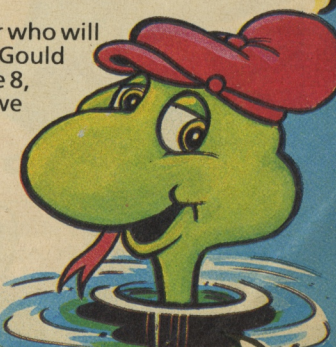
Monday
Jasmine Maddock who will be 11 and Trevor Montgomery who will be 6.

Tuesday
Julia Hornsby who will be 8, Leanne Walker who will be 7, Rachel Walker who will be 9, Sarah Wymer who will be 5, Sarah Cockerill who will be 6 and Elinor Sharp who will be 9.

Wednesday
Rebecca's sister, Rachel Crang who will be 10, Nicola Lloyd who will be 6, Kristel Bhatia who will be 7, Emma Kilfeather who will be 7, Kellie Jackson who will be 9.

Thursday
Richard Young who will be 13 and Pamela Nesbit who will be 6.

Friday
Vicki Miller who will be 6, Mark Gould who will be 8, Joanne Lowe who will be 7.



CROCOLLITIS!

Dear Catchum,
I have got tonsillitis. So has my brother. What things like that can crocodiles catch? Can you get things like tonsillitis, mumps and measles?
Claire Gardner.

No, I can't get those diseases Claire, but let me tell you - crocollitis, swamp pox and gummy foot fever are the PITS!

LELAND!

Dear Catchum,
Does Leland ever play any tricks on your birthday or on April Fool's Day. Does he ever get you into trouble?
Tammy McClean.

He wouldn't dare get me into trouble, Tammy, and anyway, I manage that all by myself!

CARROT AND SMARTIE!

Dear Catchum,
Me and my sister have a dog called *Trampiss* and a cat called *Carrot*. We once had a cat called *Smartie* but he ran away! Me and my sister are going to get another kitten but we don't know what to call it. Do you know what we could call it?
Kelly Pavitt.

I once had a pet worm called *Squelch*, if that's any help.

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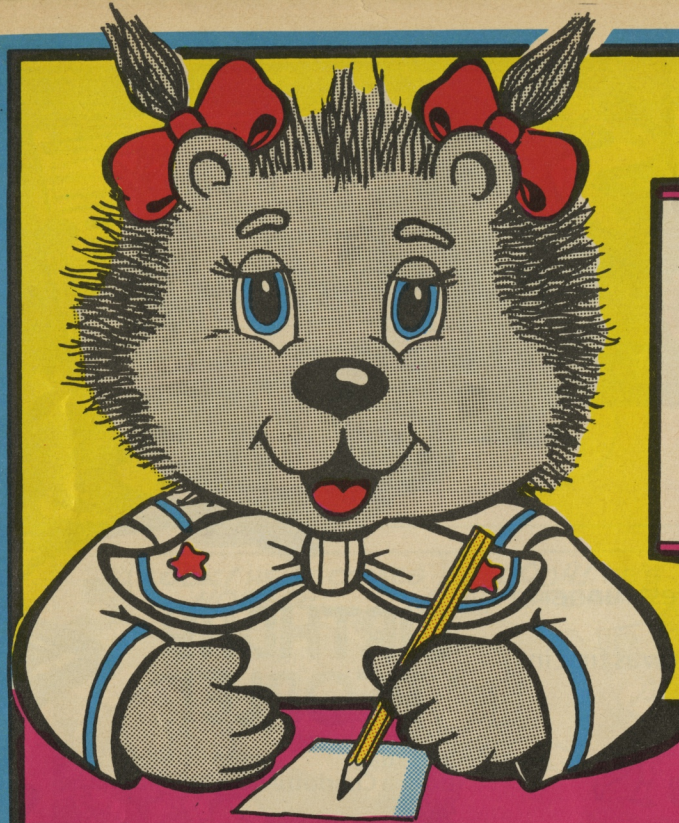
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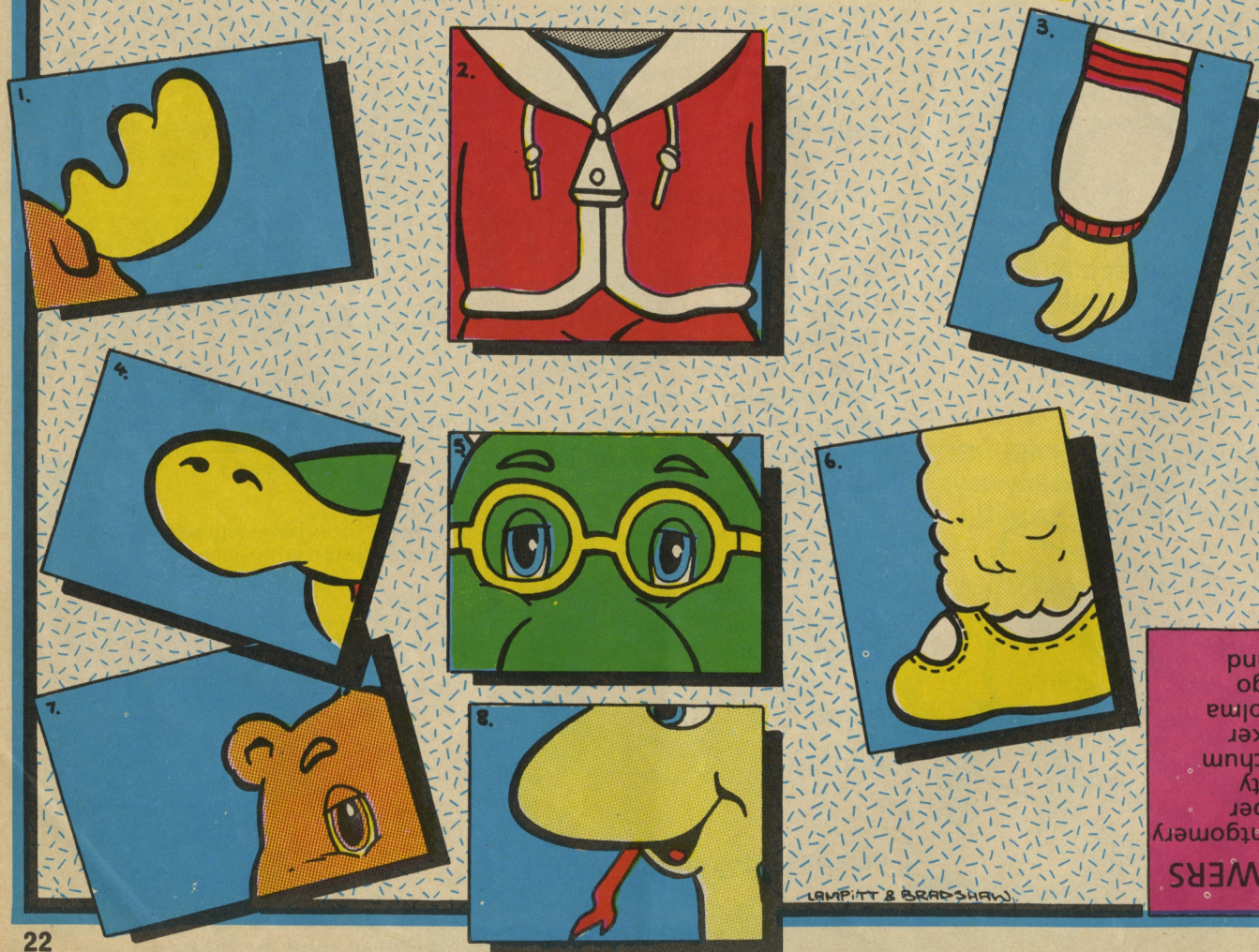
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Portia's Portraits!

Portia has been very busy drawing portraits of the Gang. Her drawings are not full portraits. They are only bits of each character. Can you recognise who is who in Portia's pictures?



- ANSWERS**
1. Montgomery
 2. Zipper
 3. Dotty
 4. Catchum
 5. Braker
 6. Woolma
 7. Bingo
 8. Leland

LAMPITT & BRADSHAW

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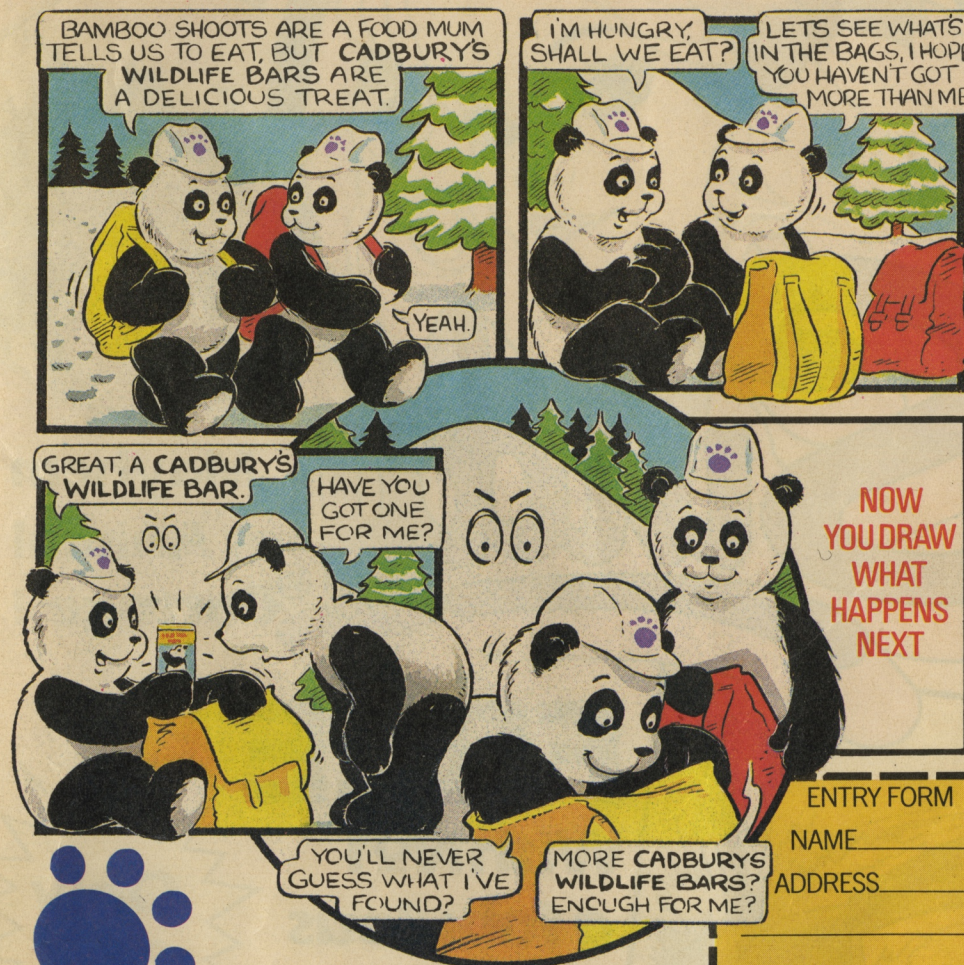
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COMPETITION

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